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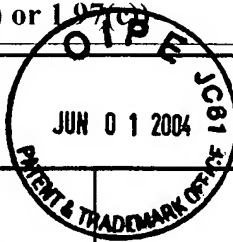
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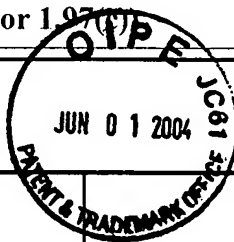
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Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, applicant calls the attention of the Examiner to the publications listed on the enclosed sheet of Form PTO-1449. Copies of each publication are submitted herewith. The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that the information cited in the statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as described in § 1.56 (b).

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial each Form PTO-1449 and return a copy of same upon consideration of these publications.

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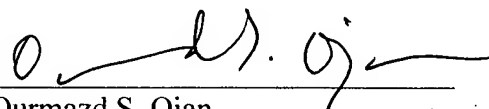
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